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Dear Friends:

On May 12th, 2009, the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors was presented a proposed budget that reduces funds available for the operation of County services, including those provided by the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR).

Specifically, the proposed DPR reductions include:

- Realign and reduce community center hours (Spring Valley, Fallbrook and Lakeside) with opportunities for private rentals when the centers are closed. These reductions would be during hours of least public use.
 - Spring Valley*
 - ♦ Monday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
 - ♦ Tuesday – Thursday 10:00 am – 8:00 pm
 - ♦ Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
 - ♦ Saturday – Sunday Closed
 - Fallbrook*
 - ♦ Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 6:00 pm
 - ♦ Saturday – Sunday Closed
 - Lakeside*
 - ♦ Monday – Friday 12:00 – 8:00 pm
 - ♦ Saturday – Sunday Closed
- *DPR is working to minimize the impacts to the daycare and preschool programs.
- 3-day/week closures of certain preserves (Tuesday through Thursday) including Hellhole Canyon, Palomar Mountain, and Wilderness Gardens.



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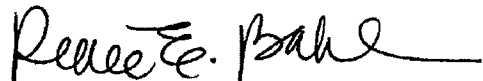
- Decrease use of temporary and seasonal employees resulting in reduced park and trail maintenance.
- Reduce funding for Critical Hours after school / teen programs.

The Board of Supervisors will deliberate different budget proposals throughout June, and the adopted budget should be effective July 1, 2009.

Our mission is to provide opportunities for high quality parks and recreation experiences and to preserve regionally significant natural and cultural resources. We will work hard to offer our best customer service, and park and recreation experiences to you during this trying fiscal time.

We can be reached at www.sdparcs.org or at (858) 694-3030 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Renée E. Bahl". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

RENÉE E. BAHL, Director
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